

oldest stone is dated March 28, 1788, which is also known to be its second grave, the sight of the first grave being known but unmarked with a stone. This cemetery has been enlarged from time to time, and now contains nineteen acres.

Reinter Bones of Myles Standish

Special to the Transcript:

Duxbury, April 25—With simple but dignified ceremonies the bones of Captain Myles Standish, one of the founders of the Plymouth colony, were interred today in a little cemetery near Hall's Corner, South Duxbury, in a hermetically sealed copper casket which will preserve them for all time. The casket was placed in the same grave where the remains of the Pilgrim were found forty years ago, at which time they were reinterred in a new wooden casket.

The lot in the little cemetery was decked with flags and at each corner stood a large cannon. Four past commanders of Duxbury Post 223, American Legion constituted a guard of honor. They were Lawrence Whitney, George Newitt, Eben Briggs and Kendall Blanchard. In a copper tube placed with the casket were records prepared by Dr. Myles Standish of Boston, a direct descendant, and records of the town of Duxbury. Many patriotic and historical societies were represented and the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston was represented by Past Commander Major J. W. H. Myrick and Captain Francis S. Cummings.

The services were opened by Sidney Soule, chairman of the Duxbury Board of Selectmen, who told of the vote of the town to build a tomb for Captain Standish and have his bones interred in a casket of metal. Rev. Dudley W. Childs, minister of the First Church of Duxbury, read Mrs. Hemans's poem, "The Landing of the Pilgrims." Rev. Abbot Peterson, minister of the First Church of Brookline and chaplain of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, gave a short sketch of Myles Standish. Rev. Fred L. Grant of the First Congregational Church of Duxbury, offered the prayer.

On the casket as it was lowered into the grave was a large wreath of ivy.

